We in Connecticut can be proud of having one of the strongest laws in the country. Hopefully we will be able to make it stronger,

possibly by incorporating additional provisions that are in the California or New York laws

or in the model law presented by the Law Center to Prevent Gun Violence. .

I don't claim to be an expert with answers. I"m more inclined to wonder "what if" and hope you experts can find the answers.

Might a significant number of possessors of assault weapons be likely to relinquish their weapons

if there were a severe penalty for possession and a more severe penalty if their weapon were used in a murder with the sentence based on the number of victims?

Should hollow-point ammunition be banned?

<u>Possible points to be included in the "whereas" provisions of the act to refute excuses from objectors:</u>

Has an assault weapon ever been used or involved in a case of unprovoked self defense?

Is the armament of schools more likely to create a paranoid condition like people in the holocaust?

Would the subjecting of our children to spending their days in fortresses be more likely to promote terror rather than a sense of safety?

Is there any likely-hood that school officials would be willing to kill someone and if so could they ever become expert enough to defend their school in an attack?

P.S.

Is there a record of favors accepted by government officials from people associated with the NRA

or other lobbyists for the weapon manufacturers?

They must want to preserve their prolific market in drug traffickers, militias and people who just like to play guns.